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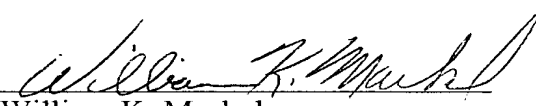
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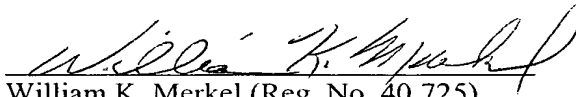
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This statement and PTO-1449 form are submitted before receipt of a first Office Action in the above-identified patent application. Accordingly, it is submitted that no fee is due in this matter under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b). However, if it is determined that any appropriate fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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